

CMS HIPAA UPDATE

Moving Towards Compliance

April, 2003

HIPAA Satellite Broadcast – April 16, 2003

On April 16, 2003 CMS will host a free satellite broadcast titled, “**HIPAA 101: The Basics of HIPAA Administrative Simplification.**” The broadcast is designed to inform the health care community about:

- The history of HIPAA and its benefits
- How to tell if you’re a “covered entity” under HIPAA
- The standards that have been adopted for electronic transactions and code sets
- Why the Designated Standards Maintenance Organizations may be important to you
- What you need to do to be compliant with the administrative simplification provisions of HIPAA
- How HIPAA's rules and deadlines will be enforced

For more information, to register to view the broadcast, or to serve as a host site visit:

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/hipaa/hipaa2>

New Tools on our Website!

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Look under “**Educational Materials**”

- **HIPAA Information Series** – A series devoted to electronic transactions and code sets. Three of the ten papers are available. Check back soon for the others!
- **Roundtable Transcript** from 2/28/03 available
- **New HIPAA Outreach Listserve** – Join for FREE and get announcements, tools, and other important news on HIPAA administrative simplification
 - <http://list.nih.gov/archives/hipaa-outreach-1.html>

HIPAA Roundtable!

- **April 30, 2003 - 2:00 – 3:30 PM EST**
- Call in number is **1-877-381-6315**
- Conference ID # is **8688774**
- **Please RSVP** to Alikia Brown by fax at 410-786-1710 or Abrown1@cms.hhs.gov

Coming Soon

- **HIPAA Information Series in Spanish** – The first paper in the series of ten is available now.
- **Privacy Roundtable transcript** – Held in March in conjunction with OCR
- **Privacy Compliant website submission form** – The Department of Health & Human Services’ (HHS) Office for Civil Rights (OCR) published a notice in the Federal Register on March 20, 2003 detailing how to file a complaint against a covered entity for non-compliance with the standards for privacy of individually identifiable health information.

Key Upcoming Deadlines

- **APRIL 14, 2003** – Privacy
- **APRIL 16, 2003** - Start Testing for Electronic transactions and code sets no later than this date!
- **October 16, 2003** -
 - Electronic transactions and code sets
 - Medicare electronic submission